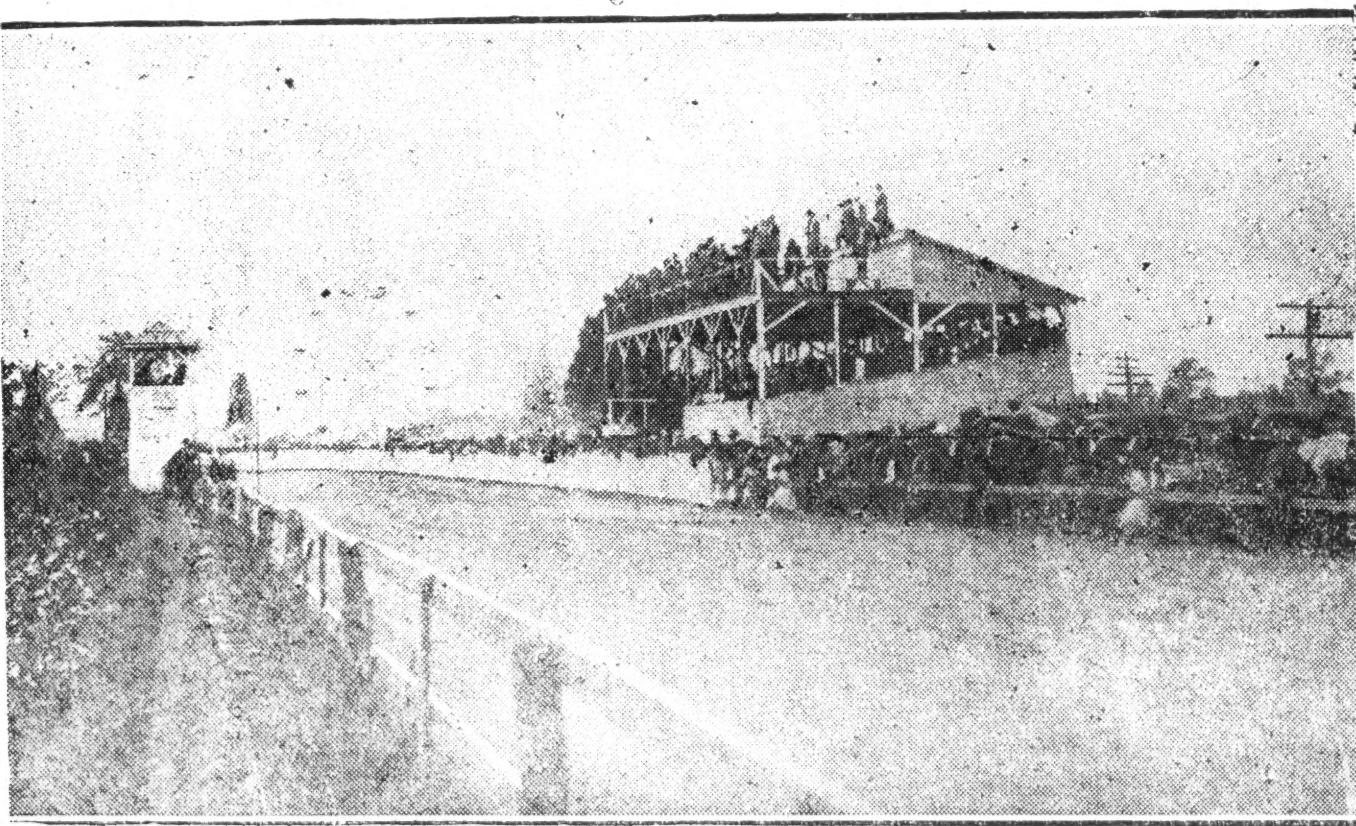


# Seventh Annual Fair!

# **Tidewater Agricultural Fair Association**

**SUFFOLK, VA., OCT. 24-27, 1916**



THE FAIR GROUNDS are located at Suffolk, Virginia, on the Portsmouth County Road, one-half mile out of the corporate limits of the city, on the Norfolk and Western Railway, directly on the public thoroughfare with beautiful surroundings.

**Fine Program Each Day, Consisting of Speakers of National Reputation, Annual Farmers' Conference and Demonstration**

AMONG the speakers this year are: Prof. Paul Blandford, County Demonstrator; Rev. M. W. D. Norman, of Washington, D. C.; Rev. Dr. Tinsley of Philadelphia, Penr., W. T. B. Williams of Hampton Institute and others of the State and National prominence.

**BAND CONCERTS DAILY AND NIGHTLY AND FIREWORKS AT  
NIGHT. FINE RACING PROGRAM EACH DAY**

UNDER DIRECTION OF D. W. LEE, SECRETARY OF RACES

# BIG PREMIUM LIST

## **\$300.00 In Cash and Articles Given Away**

ever held in Atlanta will be pulled off. The Great Southeastern Fair man-  
s here next October, commencing on the 14th and lasting seven days. There will be exhibits of all kinds from all parts of the State.

One of the new features of this fair will be that colored exhibits will be more in evidence than ever before, for the management invites the colored people of the State to come in and make such exhibits as are possible from colored sources. The very best of the rights and privileges guaranteed to all citizens in the great Em-  
-erican State of the South. They should work, etc., will be put on exhibition. Here the colored people have the same opportunity and worthy, by making a show to demonstrate their usefulness and advantage. In subsequent issues, we will say more about this fair.

**LIMA**  
~~Black & White 29th~~  
~~September~~  
~~The Seminole County Fair (Colored)~~  
held at Lima Tuesday and Wednesday of last week was in every way a success. There were many valuable exhibits. There were many valuable exhibits that carried off first prizes. Much of the credit of this fair is to be attributed to the teachers of Lima, each of whom took active part. Mrs. A. H. Tyson and Miss Mamie K. Bradford of Wewoka were very active also in the fair move. Miss Bradford rep-  
resented the primary department of the Douglass school and carried off many premiums.

# Texas Negro Fair Begins Monday At West End Park

The Texas Negro Fair will begin at An excellent program is promised West End Base Ball Park Monday, No- and a record-breaking attendance is vember 13, and continue throughout sanguinely expected. See ad elsewhere Sunday, November 19.

The directors have been successful in booking several of the C. A. Wor- tham shows, which are now running at the Texas Woman's Fair.

The Observer and fail not to at- tend it.

**GREAT SOUTHEASTERN FAIR TO BE HELD IN ATLANTA, OCT. 14-21, 1916, INCLUSIVE.**

Perhaps, one of the greatest fairs

## Read What State Senator West Says of The Fair:

"The Tidewater Fair Association of Suffolk, Va., has done much for the development of the colored farmers of Nansemond and adjoining counties along educational, agricultural, stock-raising and industrial lines.

"Signed, J. E. WEST."

# REDUCED RATES ON ALL RAILROADS

## OFFICERS

J. T. REID, President

E. L. H. RANCE, Sec'y

W. H. CROCKER, Treas. and Mgr.

D. W. LEE, Superintendent Race Department

## A REAL NEGRO FAIR NEEDED.

*Houston Observer 11-12-16*  
The Observer, noting the various attempts of the Negro citizens of this city to hold "fairs," etc., has reached the conclusion that the time is ripe for the organization of a REAL fair for this section of the State among our people.

This institution should be chartered and incorporated, with officers duly elected, supported and encouraged.

Unlike the others in operation, this proposed or suggested fair would organize by selling shares and as a step in the right direction, purchase a site for this annual event first of all. Several desirable sites for such an institution are available in this city and close to car lines.

Instead of minstrel shows and other such tomfoolery secure some real educational features and meritorious attractions.

Agricultural and industrial exhibits, as well as live stock, etc. should be displayed and prizes awarded the top-notchers.

The above would serve as an incentive to our young people to raise, produce or make something to compete for a prize.

The Texas Negroes are fully able to make such affair a success. Then, too, Greater Houston and its Negro citizens would receive the publicity justly due both.

The present fairs and carnivals, with all due respects to the promoters, are really accomplishing nothing and should adopt a different program or like the No-Tsu-Oh, go out of business.

The day has passed when we can hope to make people believe we are doing wonders by making a lot of noise and raising sand generally. The people are from the "University of Missouri"—they must be shown.

We want to be thoroughly understood in this editorial. We have no ill-will or feeling against any fairs now operating in the city, but believe that more real good can be accomplished and better results obtained by the operation of a fair conducted along a decent and respectable plan as suggested hereinbefore.

Too long have we been imitating others in those things that tend to retard racial progress rather than to increase it.

Exhibits can be secured from all parts of the State, including the institutions of learning, as well as public schools. Culinary products can be demonstrated and prizes awarded the winners.

Let the parades be decent and creditable or stay off of the streets.

The railroads will be glad to give reduced rates, and by having a Galveston day, Navasota day, Richmond day, Brenham day, Prairie View day, etc., hundreds of reputable and thrifty Negro citizens would visit Houston annually and the city will be ben-

## MANSEE ADDRESSES

### NEGRO FARMERS' FAIR

*11-27-16*  
Macon, Ga., November 23.—(Special.) J. C. Mansee, of the state department of entomology, addressed a gathering of negro farmers at the Middle Georgia Colored fair here today, declaring that the boll weevil has been found in 100 of the 152 counties of Georgia. He offered the negroes advice as to the best means of fighting the invasion of the pest, urging them to diversify their crops, making cotton a "surplus crop" cultivation as a means of defeating the weevil.

*negro fair 11-18-16*  
KOWALIGA COMMUNITY FAIR

By MISS M. E. MORRIS

The annual Kowaliga community fair was held at Kowaliga School, November 9, 1916. The attendance showed a true spirit of co-operation with such a movement, there being some four or five hundred people present.

The exhibition of vegetables was excellent in quality and that of canned fruit was also good. The boll weevil having played havoc with the cotton crop in this section, few cotton exhibits were made. The display of live-stock contained some of the best. The fancy work exhibited was especially good.

We were very fortunate to have with us as speaker for this occasion Mr. Vernon W. Barnett, editor and manager of the NEGRO FARMER AND MESSENGER, from Tuskegee Institute who, in his excellent address, made a strong appeal for support in educational work and emphasized the need of practical farming in this section where the boll weevil has made his appearance.

Mr. C. W. Greene, Farm Demonstrator for Macon County, Alabama, gave a most interesting address on Agriculture in this section, pointing out to the farmers the prospects of good crops through correct cultivation.

Mr. Frank Manly, formerly located with the Dixie Company at Benson, Alabama, made some especially interesting and helpful remarks regarding the outlook for profitable crops in this section next year, those with which the boll weevil would not interfere. He urged upon the patrons the necessity of placing their children in school, giving them the advantage of the opportunities for education it afforded them while they were available.

The enthusiasm manifested was "real" and we are looking forward to good results from these annual meetings.

The music was furnished by an eight-piece orchestra from Montgomery.

# NEGRO DAY ROCKY MOUNT AGRICULTURAL FAIR

*Rocky Mount, N. C.  
Journal & Guide 9/29/16*  
SATURDAY, OCT. 7, 1916

Excursions and Reduced Rates on all Rail Roads

## FEATURES

A collection of Exhibits from a group of the most progressive farmers of Eastern Carolina.

The largest purse for races ever offered in this State.

An educational exhibit from the educational centers of this section.

A Speech by Dr. Chas. S. Morris, Norfolk, Va.

## OFFICERS

W. E. Fenner, Pres.

G. R. Horne, Sec.

M. A. TALLEY, Supervisor Negro Day

## THE AUSPICIOUS OPENING OF 12th DISTRICT COLORED FAIR

Atlanta Independent

HELD IN DUBLIN, GA.—MIDWAY OF THIRTY ATTRACTIONS, SUCH ONES AS SEEN AT BIG STATE FAIRS.

12 BY R. G. MCADEN.

Perhaps one of the most unique and interesting fairs ever held by colored people in Georgia is the 12th District Fair, which opened its doors last Tuesday in the beautiful city of Dublin. The entire city put on a gala fair which they were attempting to appear and white and colored citizens alike, view with each other to bring this city up to its well-earned reputation as being one of the most progressive and up-to-date municipalities in South Georgia.

Farmers and business men throughout the county of Laurens were on hand promptly to take part in one of the greatest events ever undertaken by colored people of that city and county.

Automobiles, buggies and other vehicles were in line to do their part in making the fair a howling success. And be it said to the credit of the white citizens that they were no less interested than the colored citizens, to make the occasion memorable and successful.

They began the march from the depot as soon as the speaker of the day, Prof. J. W. Davison, Managing Editor of the Independent, disembarked from the train.

He declared that if we would play our part as a race in the world's great drama we must do as they have done—work out our own salvation. The world, said he, had no patience with croakers and fault-finders, number of prominent men and women of the city. Headed by the Stanford Band, of Macon, followed by several automobiles bearing the orator and chief officers and the writer, they proceeded through the principal streets, which were lined with walls of humanity to the fair grounds, which would do credit to any large city in the state. These grounds were built by the outlay of a vast amount of money and makes a most excellent site for holding fairs. These grounds are up-to-date in every particular, and were turned over to the colored fair management by the white fair authorities, which evidences the cordial relations between the two races.

Promptly at 2 o'clock his honor, Mayor Robinson, and City Attorney Twitty appeared at the gate and were invited to seats on the platform, that had been provided for them. The city attorney who spoke for the mayor was introduced by Prof. E. L. Hall

The corn, cotton, oats, pumpkins, Hudson, C. H. Harris, H. L. Lewis, H. D. Heard and Mr. Thomas are made a fine display.

The live stock consisted of fine hogs of the best breed, also cows and horses of the highest pedigree.

In short, all the exhibits were most commendable and inspiring. We know of nothing that is doing more to encourage and help the race than these fairs.

So to speak, the race is discerning itself and its wonderful possibilities. No one can calculate the far-reaching consequences for good these fairs are doing; they are stepping to better things and bound to elevate the race to that great plane of right living and acting, which will make it most helpful to man kind.

Newsome and Gaines have succeeded in a manner which stamps them as men of no ordinary ability and determination and have triumphed over almost insurmountable obstacles, and they will go down in history as the noblest examples of self-dependence and self-help. They were substantially backed by the following ladies: Mesdames Susie Dasher, Mollie Beasley, Roberta Matthews, Annie V. brough, Mattie Amy, Johnnie B. Mitchell, Zenobia Wood, Annie Hurst, Mary Gaines, Carrie Adams, Mary E. Newsome, Leona Roberts, Rosa Jordan.

Dublin has a population of eight thousand, and contains various public enterprises, which puts into circulation several thousands from their monthly payrolls.

Two good colored schools and private schools make up the educational compact.

The First Baptist Church, Rev. R. W. Walker, pastor, is now worshiping in their new ten thousand dollar building. Although not wholly complete, yet, it is an edifice of beauty and large seating capacity.

The People's Drug Store, J. J. Jenkins, manager, is one among the best colored drug stores in the state.

Drs. U. S. Johnson, H. T. Jones and B. D. Perry are among the best. All are large taxpayers and are all bright lights in church and community. Prof. W. L. Hughes is one of the strongest powers in the city. He stands for all that will help his race and build a community of useful citizens. He is firmly implanted in the hearts of the people, and is popular with his white neighbors.

Among the leading farmers of the county are M. L. Yopp, T. C. Kitchen, T. F. Lewis, Rev. Giles McLendon, M. J. Mitchell, G. W. Smith,erman, Adorn McCloud, J. I. Clark, and a host, who have hundreds of acres and bank accounts.

John Dasher, Rev. Kitchen, Joe

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E. R. Hodgson of  
technic Institute.

The Conference was held on Friday at the Memorial Baptist Church adjoining the school. The question of Health was discussed by Dr. A. M. Showalter. Mr. T. C. Erwin, Field Agent of the Negro Organization Society told what is being done by that organization to promote good health among Negroes. Under the question of Home-Making, Miss Ella A. Agnew, State Supervisor of Canning Clubs, spoke on the Aims of Home-makers Clubs. Mrs. Ida V. Woodlyn told of the work of Canning Clubs among colored girls in Montgomery County, and Mrs. R. I. Roup, wife of the Commonwealth Attorney for Montgomery County spoke most admirably on the subject, "An Ideal Home." Under the topic, Better Schools, Mr. Arthur D. Wright, State Supervisor, told what the State is doing to help colored people secure better schools. Prof. E. A. Long, president of Negro Teachers' Association told of League Work in Colored Schools in Virginia. He showed from records of the past five years that Negroes in Virginia through their school improvement leagues had expended more than \$150,000 on their schools in addition to what the State pays to operate them. Perhaps there is not another State in the Union that can show so good a record for colored people.

In an open discussion a number of patrons of Montgomery County told what was being done in their communities to better the schools.

The topic which brought out greatest interest was: "More Farmers and better Farming," Mr. Robt. E. Clay, president of the Negro Business League discussed wittily and forcefully, "The Business End of Farming." Mr. Jesse M. Jones, director of Cooperative Extension Work in Agriculture, and Home Economics in Virginia, whose headquarters are at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, told what the government is doing to aid farmers. His address was brimful of helpful information, and every man who heard him went away from the meeting resolved to give a heartier co-operation to the extension work than ever before.

Mr. John B. Pierce, who is Collaborator with Mr. Jones but working among Negroes, told what is being done in Virginia among colored farm-

## FARM EXHIBITS WERE EXCELLENT

*The Journal of Guide*

NEGRO CONFERENCE AND FAIR  
AT CHRISTIANSBURG INDUS-  
TRIAL INSTITUTE—CORN EXHI-  
BIT ESPECIALLY GOOD.

(Special to Journal and Guide.)

Christiansburg, Va.—Under the auspices of the Christiansburg Institute, Prof. E. A. Long, principal, a Fair and Conference among colored people was held here Thursday and Friday of this week. The fair was an exhibition of products grown under the direction of Rufus Cox the United States Farm Demonstration Agent for Montgomery and Floyd Counties and Mrs. Ida V. Woodlyn, Industrial Supervisor for Montgomery County. A large number of white and colored people attended, including students from the High School with their teachers who came in a body.

The articles exhibited by the colored people were excellent. The farm products—corn especially—were unusually fine, and showed that the Farm Demonstrator had at least taught the men how to select good corn. The exhibit by the Christiansburg Institute, of products grown by the students was a show in itself. At the State Fair for colored people held at Hampton Institute, the Christiansburg Institute merited first, second and third prizes on yellow corn.

The Boys' Garden Club made a good showing and indicated that the work was being directed along right lines. No saner thing can be done for the Negroes than to teach them to buy land and stick to farming. In Montgomery County one-third of the Negro population is engaged in farming, and they own 96 per cent of the farms they operate, the credit for which situation is due at least in part to the influence of the Christiansburg Institute which operates a farm of 185 acres and requires all students both boys and girls to take a course in practical and theoretical agriculture before graduation.

The women's work, including sewing, cooking, fancy needle work, and canning, etc., made a fine showing. Mr. John B. Pierce, who is Collaborator with Mr. Jones but working among Negroes, told what is being done in Virginia among colored farm-

ized my endeavors which fortunately have been greatly multiplied by the wise and persistent assistance of W. Westberry, our efficient secretary, and Prof. B. F. Hubert of the department of agriculture, State college, our active general manager. These two gentlemen have traveled, lectured, have, in our race papers, frequently written in the interest of a greater colored State fair and thereby have rendered service immeasurably for the good of our cause. And it must not be inferred that the members of our association generally have been unconcerned or inactive. The contrary is true. Never before have I had such evidence of united and concerted action for a season. The program was composed of Anthems, Quartettes, Solos and Organ Selections by some of the best talent of the other race. But to add divinity to the occasion, the choir of the First Baptist Church rendered a selection, the Male Quartette and others.

the Negro Farmers got a square deal. 2d, 1916. This proved to be one of the grandest musical treats of the great and glorious State fair. And what are the attending results? They are these: Already we have assurances from every section of the State of exhibits—assurances of a large and more diversified exhibit than at any State fair we have yet had. Still the end is not yet for daily information comes of things to be brought.

The program was well rendered. As the audience listened to the melodious tones as they streamed forth from the organ, one could read upon the faces of those present, what their minds would have said, "Oh, how Heavenly, How Divine. Many thanks were tendered those who took part on the program by the pastor of the church, Rev. E. E. Ricks, D. D.

#### At Hotel Anderson.

Mr. J. W. Pinkard, of Wytheville, Va.; Mrs. Ada Finley, Drakes, Va.; Mr. Dewitt Huntley, Charlotte, N. C.; Mrs. N. B. Halley and brother, Keystone, W. Va.; Mr. Shelton Moore, Maggie Fulton and Jennie Steward, Tazewell, Va.; Mr. R. Lane Rodgers, Pulaski, Va.; Mr. Thos. Clark, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mr. Eulalia Harris, Pembroke, Va.; Mrs. A. L. Saunders, Matilda James and M. L. Williams, Pulaski, Va.

#### NEGRO STATE FAIR IS MUCH ENLARGED

President Goodwin Tells of Prospects for Annual Exhibition in Capital City.

To the Editor of The State:

Early in the spring signs were not wanting which indicated that we could, if we would, have this year a Colored State fair most creditable. After much thought in the devising of plans to bring about the desirable end, the conclusion was mine that since we could have, we should have, really must have the greatest negro State fair ever held in South Carolina or elsewhere.

To that end I then began operations and sustained efforts have character-

## CROP DISPLAYS GOOD NEGRO SCHOOLS MAKE EXCELLENT EXHIBITS

Attendance Holds Up Well Through Friday—Treasurer Thomas Williams is Reelected.

In reporting the election of the officers of the negro fair association, the name of Thomas A. Williams, the treasurer, was inadvertently omitted. He has been the treasurer from the organization of the fair by the Rev. Richard Carroll, and is the only officer who has been elected from year to year without opposition. He is proud of his record as treasurer and is perhaps the only one of the charter members who is retained as an officer.

Friday is always considered as the closing day of the fair, and yet there was a remarkably good attendance on the grounds on the last day. The committee of judges was busy the most of the day making up their record. The Voorhees college was given the first prize for having the best all-round exhibit of the schools; the State college second, and Benedict third. Several other schools were given honorable mention, among them Morris college, located at Sumter. In addition to the exhibits of the colleges and schools, a number of counties had very fine exhibits of field and garden products. Among these were Richland, Sumter and Bamberg. The Bamberg county exhibit was in charge of Prof. Jenkins of Voorhees college, and won third prize in the list of the counties. Prof. Jenkins works with the college and with the negro farmers of Bamberg county. He is United States farm demonstrator.

The State fair will have many educational advantages for those of sober and serious mind. And for those on pleasure bent amusements many and varied will be on hand. So get ready and come. Come if you have anything to exhibit—send or bring it. If you have nothing to exhibit, come and see for yourself what the progressive negroes of South Carolina have done and are doing. Remember the date, from October 30 to November 4. There will be reduced rates on all railroads and in Columbia there will be, for all who come, ample accommodations at rates most reasonable.

John H. Goodwin, M. D.  
President State Fair Association.  
Columbia.

## BEST NEGRO FAIR COMES TO CLOSE

Voorhees First Among Exhibits by Schools.

For the Early county negro farmer, with his barn full of peavine hay and corn, and his house with hog, hominy and taters, New Jersey and the northern munition plants have no attractions.

#### INSURANCE AGENTS MEET AT S. C. FAIR

(Special to THE NEW YORK AGE.)

COLUMBIA, S. C.—One of the most interesting occurrences during the recent Negro State Fair in this city was the conference of the general officers and state agents of the North Carolina Mutual and Provident Association, which has its headquarters at Durham, N. C. The conference was held in the company's building on Washington street. From Durham there came John Merrick, president; Dr. A. M. Moore, secretary and treasurer; C. C. Spaulding, vice-president and general manager, and J. M. Avery, assistant general manager. F. H. McMasters, insurance commissioner of South Carolina, was a guest of the conference, and received a cordial welcome. He delivered a strong address, in which he spoke of the able manner in which the affairs of the North Carolina company were conducted. He commented on the fact that the company had been managed on sound business lines even before the state assumed supervision. His address was responded to by C. C. Spaulding.

Other addresses were delivered by John Merrick, Dr. A. M. Moore, J. M. Avery. Following the morning session, a barbecue dinner was served the visitors by J. J. Atwell, manager of the Columbia office, and his corps of agents. A private session was held in the afternoon and at night a rousing public meeting was held at Sidney Park C. M. E. Church, the Rev. N. F. Haygood, pastor. The principal address was delivered by General Manager Spaulding, and it was thoroughly prepared and ably delivered. During the past year the North Carolina Mutual has shown an increase of 15 per cent. in the volume of business as against the previous year. This conference is expected to pave the way to an even greater increase for the next year.

The Negro State Fair just closed was the most successful in the history of the fair association. It was held on the grounds of the white fair association, which are leased each year under advantageous terms. Exhibits from all parts of the state showed progress made by the race in education, domestic science, fancy needle work, agriculture, and in all lines of mechanical art. The colleges and schools of the state had elaborate exhibits, the first prize being awarded to Voorhees Industrial School of Denmark, J. O. Thomas, principal; second to the State College at Orangeburg; third to Benedict College.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders, the following officers were re-elected: Dr. J. H. Goodwin, Columbia, president; R. W. Westberry Sumter, secretary; Prof. B. F. Hubert, Orangeburg, superintendent; Thomas A. Williams, Newberry, treasurer.

#### Early County Fair Gives Negroes First Prize in One Branch—Aid Farmers.

Blakely, Ga., November 16. (Special.)—One of the most attractive exhibits at the Early county fair, just closed, was that of two Early county colored schools—the Spring Creek school and the Pleasant Hill school. The thousands who visited the fair from all over the state and from Florida and Alabama were genuinely surprised and pleased at the splendid showing made by the negroes of the county. One end of the main exhibition building was given over to the two schools and their entire section was filled from floor to ceiling.

The Pleasant Hill school was organized several years ago on a community plan. There are two organizations—one for the negro men and one for the negro women—which are carried on in conjunction with the school, and to a visitor at the fair the good effects of this triple co-operation are easily apparent. The local farmers' conference has nearly twenty-five members, and meetings are held every two weeks at the school house. The women's organization has some thirty members and meets to study cooking and canning problems. Teachers from Tuskegee are helping direct the efforts of the school and associate organizations.

#### Has Five-Acre Tract.

The school has a five-acre plot of ground and every square foot of it is tended by the pupils. They have raised this year the following bumper crop from their tract: Seed cotton, 2,600 pounds; corn, 50 bushels; hay, 2,700 pounds; oats, 2,000 pounds; velvet beans, 100 pounds; Irish potatoes, 250 pounds; sweet potatoes, 3 bushels; onions, one-fourth acre, besides other crops and vegetables.

On a quarter acre three crops were made, Irish potatoes being planted early, followed by a crop of sweet potatoes and onions as the last crop of the year. The school's peavine hay was awarded the fair association's blue ribbon, and a second prize given the school's cotton.

The one prevailing idea of the school's exhibit was its "practicalness." The teachers claim that there is nothing grown or raised at the school for the mere fun of it; that everything must have an every-day, practical value. Clothes of all kinds are made, from baby socks to a grown man's homemade suit of "Sunday best"—all the work of negro girls. The boys' exhibit included woodwork.

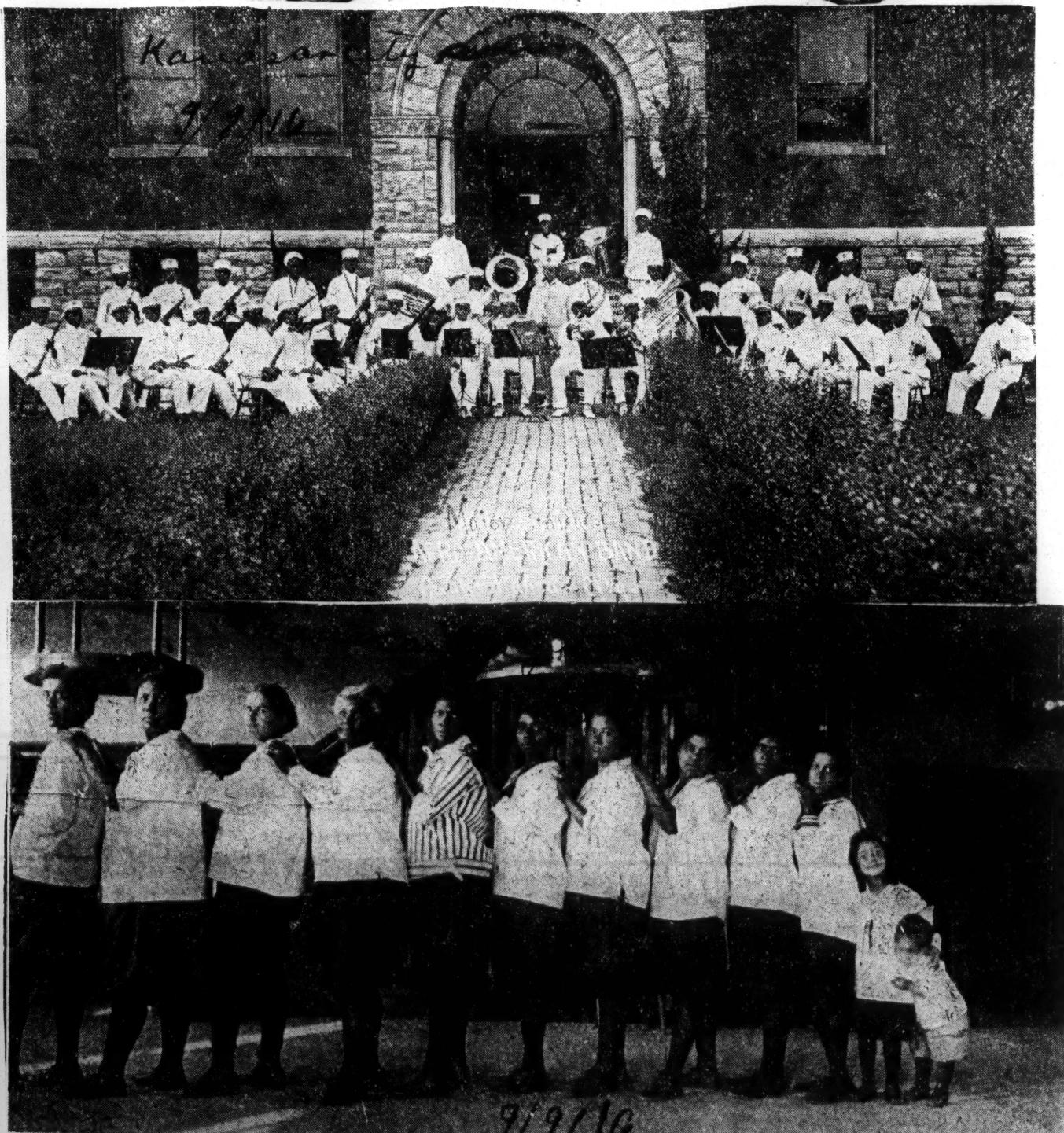
#### White Populace Pleased.

The white people of the county are almost as proud of the negroes' exhibit as are the negroes themselves, for it shows that the colored population of Early has determined to take more interest in their work and make better farmers than they have ever been. It is this sort of thing that gives the negro confidence in the white people and the white people confidence in the negro.

The Early county fair has accomplished big things for the entire section of the state, but perhaps the biggest thing it has done was to show the negroes what great opportunities are theirs here at their very doors.

Fairs - 1916.

**Lincoln  
Electric  
Park  
Sept. 11  
to 17**



**The Colored Fair of Union**

*The Negro Review*  
PROGRAM. 11-10-16

Entrance fees to fair grounds  
for single harness, 25; for double  
harness 50c.

Rev. J. H. Gilmore, Pres.  
Committee: J. W. Dawkins,  
secretary; J. M. Beaty, treas-  
ure, John P. Glenn.

**Lincoln**

**Electric**

**Park**

**Sept. 11**

**to 17**

Wednesday, November 15, opening day.

10 o'clock—Gates open for re-  
ception of exhibitions and other  
attractions.

11 o'clock—Foot races.

12 o'clock—Speaking by Mr.  
S. S. Abrams of the North Coro-  
lina Mutual Association, Prof. B.  
T. Beaty, and others.

1 o'clock—Inspection of exhi-  
bits.

1:30 o'clock—Arena shows.

2 o'clock—Races.

5:30 o'clock—Gates close.

Thursday, November 16, Agri-  
cultural Day.

9 o'clock—Gates open.

9:30 o'clock—Inspection of ex-  
hibits and other attractions.

11 o'clock—Ball game, foot  
race, etc.

12:30 o'clock—Speaking by Mr.  
C. C. Spaulding, of Durham, N.  
C., introduced by Rev. R. B.  
Curry. Address by Prof. W. M.  
Bogan.

1:30 o'clock—Arena shows.

2:30 o'clock—Horse racing.

5:30 o'clock—Gates close.

Friday, November 17, Educa-  
tional Day.

9 o'clock—Gates open.

9:30 o'clock—Inspection of ex-  
hibits and other attractions.

10:30 o'clock—Foot races and  
ball games.

11:30 o'clock—Judging exhib-  
its.

12:30 o'clock—Speaking by  
Prof. A. A. Sims and Dr. R. S.  
Wilkinson, president of the State  
College of Orangeburg, and Rev.  
L. L. Wagnon, Union.

1:30 o'clock—Arena shows.

2:30 o'clock—Horse racing.

5 o'clock—Gates close.

Admissions: Adults, 50c; chil-  
dren 25c; educational day chil-  
dren 10c.

**NEGRO DAY AT  
EDGECOMBE FAIR**

**COMMITTEE ARRANGING EXHI-  
BITS AND PROGRAM—ONLY  
SIX PER CENT. OF ROCKY  
MOUNT'S COLORED POPULA-  
TION RATED AS ILLITERATE.**

*Journal & Guide*  
8/26/16

(By O. R. Pope.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Aug. 23.—The  
Negro Day at the coming Rocky  
Mount Fair is meeting the hearty ap-  
proval of the majority of Negroes in  
this section, including the counties of  
Wilson, Nash, Edgecombe, and Hali-  
fax.

The supervisor, the Rev. Dr. Talley,  
is highly pleased with the success of  
his recent visit to several surround-  
ing towns. The local committee,  
Messrs. C. C. McIntire, W. G. Horne,  
A. T. Spicer, W. H. Penny and Dr.  
Bryan are reporting splendid success.  
Negro Day is assured success. It is  
our best opportunity to display our  
business, educational and domestic  
advancement.

Mr. and Mrs. Tarry and family, are  
in Timmonsville, S. C., attending at  
the bedside of Mrs. Tarry's father,  
who is ill.

Mr. Frank Black, father of Mr. J.  
R. Black, has just returned from St.  
Agnes Hospital, Raleigh. Mr. Black  
will reside in Rocky Mount perma-  
nently.

Mr. E. B. Sessom, Rocky Mount's  
oldest tailor has purchased a new  
Ford motor truck to be delivered  
within the next three weeks. Mr. Ses-  
som will do the clothes pressing and  
cleaning for Sharpsburg, Nashville,  
Battleboro, and Kingsboro. Mr. Ses-  
som states that this is the first of  
several improvements in his business.

Miss Ola Sellers of Ruby, S. C., is  
the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sellers on  
Park Ave. Miss Bessie Balkin also  
their guest, has left for Wilson to  
spend some time.

Children's Day last Sunday at the  
A. M. E. Zion Church was a huge suc-  
cess. Representatives from most of  
the Sunday Schools were participants  
on the program.

Misses Reta Spicer and Nannie  
Hines will contest for Rocky Mount  
honors at the Interurban Oratorical

and Musical Contest next Monday night, August 28th in Tarboro. Miss Spicer is a good speaker, and Miss Hines sings very well. Who ever contests against these two will certainly find "a foe worthy of their steel." A large crowd is expected to go from Rocky Mount.

Much favorable comment has been heard on Dr. Talley's splendid sermon last Sunday on the doctrine of "Election."

There are 335 colored people in Rocky Mount above 21 years of age who cannot read and write, according to a census, just completed. This is about 6% of the total colored population. The majority of the illiterates are women.

Doctors B. J. and P. W. Burnett spent a day last week at their home, Oak City, at an old fashion family reunion.

Mrs. P. W. Burnett spent last week at her home, Clinton.

Miss Brown, daughter of Dr. C. S. Brown, principal of Waters Institute, Winton, N. C., will give an elocution recital at Lincoln Graded School Chapel, Friday night, August 25.

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Atlanta, Ga.

## NEGRO SCHOOLS MAKE EXCELLENT EXHIBITS

Early County Fair Gives Negroes First Prize in One Branch—Aid Farmers.

Blakely, Ga., November 16.—(Special)—One of the most attractive exhibits at the Early county fair, just closed, was that of two Early county colored schools—the Spring Creek school and the Pleasant Hill school. The thousands who visited the fair from all over the state and from Florida and Alabama were genuinely surprised and pleased at the splendid showing made by the negroes of the county. One end of the main exhibition building was given over to the two schools and their entire section was filled from floor to ceiling.

The Pleasant Hill school was organized several years ago on a community plan. There are two organizations—one for the negro men and one for the negro women—which are carried on in conjunction with the school, and to a visitor at the fair the good effects of this triple co-operation are easily apparent. The local farmers conference has nearly twenty-five members, and meetings are held every two weeks at the school house. The women's organization has some thirty members and meets to study cooking and canning problems. Teachers from an occasion for the coming together of the school and associate or joining counties for a few days of

#### Has Five-Acre Tract.

The school has a five-acre plot of ground and every square foot of it is tended by the pupils. They have raised this year the following bumper crop from their tract: Seed cotton, 2,600 pounds; corn, 50 bushels; hay, 2,704 pounds; oats, 2,000 pounds; velvet beans, 100 pounds; Irish potatoes, 250 pounds; sweet potatoes, 3 bushels; onions, one-fourth acre, besides other crops and vegetables.

On a quarter acre three crops were made, Irish potatoes being planted early, followed by a crop of sweet potatoes and onions as the last crop of the year. The school's peavine hay was awarded the fair association's blue ribbon, and a second prize given the school's cotton.

The one prevailing idea of the school's exhibit was its "practicalness." The teachers claim that there is nothing grown or raised at the school for the mere fun of it; that everything must have an every-day, practical value. Clothes of all kinds are made, from baby socks to a grown man's home-made suit of "Sunday best"—all the work of negro girls. The boys' exhibit included woodwork.

#### White Population, Pleased.

The white people of the county are almost as proud of the negroes' exhibit as are the negroes themselves, for it shows that the colored population of Early has determined to take more interest in their work and make better farmers than they have ever been. It is this sort of thing that gives the negro confidence in the white people and the white people confidence in the negro.

The Early county fair has accomplished big things for the entire section of the state, but perhaps the biggest thing it has done was to show the negroes what great opportunities are theirs here at their very doors. For the Early county negro farmer, with his barn full of peavine hay and corn, and his house with hog, hominy and taters, New Jersey and the northern munition plants have no attractions.

## FAIR WAS GREAT

LARGEST ATTENDANCE AND BEST EXHIBITS RECORDED AT SEVENTH ANNUAL EXHIBIT OF TIDEWATER FAIR ASSOCIATION.

Journal Guide  
(Special to Journal and Guide.)

Suffolk, Va., Nov. 1.—The seventh annual fair of the Tidewater Fair Association, held here October 24-27 inclusive, was pronounced the best in every respect yet held. The improvement was so noticeable in every department that General Manager W. H. Crocker and his associates in the movement were congratulated upon every hand by white and colored visitors.

The Tidewater Fair is not merely an occasion for the coming together of the school and associate or joining counties for a few days of

pleasure. It has proved, and is contributing to demonstrate that it is a feet of new hose. Council has decided to purchase 500 medium of education and inspiration. Miss Mae Cooper, librarian of the Seaford public library, announces the only witness exhibits of a high order, contribution of a number of volumes demonstrating the progress of our given by Mrs. Ella Emery, Mrs. people in industry and in the arts and Stacey B. Collins, Mr. Levy and Professor Charles Van Lear.

#### The Exhibits.

The exhibits included every phase of farming and home making. There were peanuts, corn, cotton, tobacco, peas, pumpkins, poultry, hogs, horses, cows and oxen. County Demonstrator Paul Blanford said in his address on Farmers' Day that the exhibits this year were forty per cent better than yr before. Ther wre also excellent exhibits of canned and preserved goods, sewing and fancy work. The school exhibits were also creditable.

## NEW ELECTRIC PLANT NOW IN OPERATION

Preparations Being Made for An- cipation Association.

nual Fair of Maryland Eman-

SEAFORD, Del., Aug. 22.—The Maryland Emancipation Fair Association will hold its fourth annual fair on the Wicomico Fair Grounds, in Salisbury, September 12 to 15 inclusive, and the Negro people from all parts of the country are expecting a big tibe. Arrangements are being made by the committee to accommodate large crowds on these days, and the exhibits will surpass those of previous years.

There will be speaking by many of the prominent people of the Negro race. There will also be horse racing and other free attractions.

The new electric light line of the Eastern Shore Gas and Electric Company from Laurel to Cambridge has been completed. The line runs through Sharptown, Federisburg, East New Market, Hurlock, Williamsburg, Secretary and Cambridge, all of which towns are now lighted from the Laurel plant. Other plans in the various towns have been shut down and will be held as emergency plants. The new line carries a voltage of 23,000.

The local Chautauqua officers have started the annual sale of tickets and are meeting with great success.

Walter Marvel and Miss Mabel Gordy, both of this town were quietly married Sunday evening at the M. P. parsonage, by the Rev. C. E. Dryden.

In response to a request from the fire Department, the Seaford Town

## Negro Fair Closes

### 4th Yearly Exhibit

#### In Hancock County

August 16.—(Special.)

The fourth annual session of the colored fair held by the negroes of Hancock county has just been brought to a close. The fair was a creditable showing for the colored population of the county, and the displays this year were far superior to those of two years ago. Especial attention was drawn by the agricultural and needlework displays, both of which were pronounced excellent.

Booker T. Washington, Jr., was a speaker on Education day. Many white persons visited the fair and praised the thoroughness of the work done.

John D. Walker, former senator from this district, and Professor W. W. Driskell, farm demonstrator for the country, were two of the principal speakers.

The first prize for the best school

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## NEGRO STATE FAIR PLANS DISCUSSED

Executive Committee at Columbia Meeting Revises Premium List and Programme.

Plans for the negro State fair to be held in Columbia in mid-autumn were discussed at a meeting of the executive committee held yesterday in the office of the president, John H. Goodwin, M. D., 1111 Washington street, Columbia.

The premium list was revised and a programme was arranged with many attractive features. The several days of fair week were designated as follows: Tuesday, military and fraternal orders; Wednesday, health and education; Thursday, athletics; Friday, farmers. Horse racing

will be offered on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. For this feature and the premiums \$1,500 has been appropriated. A large portion will go to the agricultural exhibits. The committee

is expecting a record attendance. R. W. Wesberry of Sumter is secretary of the association.

## STATE FAIR IN MACON

### Savannah Tribune

#### Colored Citizen of Bibb County Organized Strong Association

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Permission has been granted the colored people of Macon to hold a state fair immediately at the close of the white fair next fall. An incorporated institution will conduct the fair, managed by a well equipped board of directors. It is expected to be the biggest affair ever pulled off in the state.

Negro fair in 1916.—Macon Daily Telegraph.

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BIG COLORED FAIR IS  
PLAN FOR PLATEAU

opened its doors Monday it was for a session of only three days, but the patronage has been so great and the demands so pressing that in order that all negroes of the state may have a chance to see what their race is doing, the fair will be continued for two days longer.

At a meeting Thursday night of the Colored Fair Association it was decided to pull off, at Plateau, October 15-16-17, the biggest fair for colored people ever held in Mobile county. A large premium list has been made out which provides for prizes for all kinds of agricultural produce, domestic science, manual training and household work. Handsome premiums will also be awarded to the colored schools of Mobile county for excellency in industrial work.

Arrangements are being made for brass band music, moving picture shows, dash races, minstrels, etc. Invitations are being sent to every community in Mobile county to place an exhibit.

This fair association will co-operate with the Gulf Coast Tropical Fair Association in making the colored exhibits in the negro building a credit to the race.

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ADDRESS COLORED MEN

The Middle Georgia Colored Fair Association was addressed last night by Secretary Harry Robert, of the Georgia State Fair Association, and W. H. C. Johnson, of the chamber of commerce, on how to make their fair a success.

Mr. Robert told them how to manage the different departments to make it a success; to give the people what they promised and to have all money on hand to pay premiums promptly.

Mr. Johnson stressed the importance of "co-operation," pointing out the necessity of every member of the association pulling together in order to make it a success. An officer of the association spoke after Mr. Johnson and he paid many compliments to the business class of white people who are so willing to help the negroes in any worthy undertaking.

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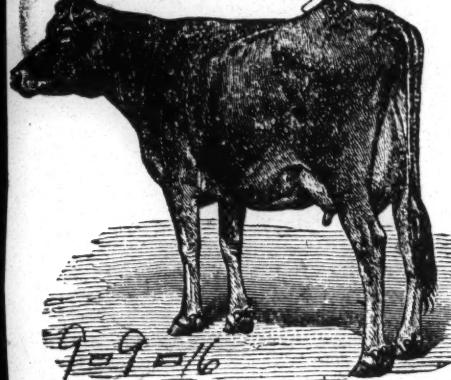
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Negro Fair Lasts All Week.

W. L. Moon, president of the negro state fair, announced today that owing to the unprecedented attendance and interest shown in the exhibits, the fair will remain in session for the remainder of the week. When the fair

# GREATER KANSAS CITY AND JACKSON COUNTY FAIR

*Kansas City Sun*



their decision. Also a prize to any which are an integral part of the chauffeur making the best practical answer to a set of 15 questions about the proper handling of a car.

A special prize for the best horse horse and wagon outfit engaged in some business such as drayage or delivery, etc. Dig up your team and win a prize. General appearance should be the watch word. All are eligible. Whom do you think owns the best looking team in town?

Nothing progresses like progress. The "Fair" to take place next week will show a wonderful raiser. Many vegetables and progress along the lines of sub-stantial development by way of on display.

The culinary art will be largely but a hot contest between num bers of rivals in different pursuits represented. Cakes, pies and fancy pastry.

Perhaps the most hotly contest ed feature of this department will be the barbecue "Kings and Queens." There are several in this city claiming to be the "best." We will now have a chance to see just who can put up the most savory lamb or pork or other "venison!"

This fair is the first of its kind to be given along these particular lines in this city on such a large scale. It will serve many elevating purposes. It will discover the real men and women of our community. It will show the people who have really caught the



starting Monday. The idea of the Fair is to present to the public the handiwork, the genius, the art, the products the labor and other evi dences of the progression of Colored people in and about Greater Kansas City. Quite a sum of money will be given away in prizes to various contestants covering a wide variety of lines. Suitable prizes will be given to the best automobile owned by a race person in the city. There will be several classes of entrants from "Fords and Overlands" to "Packards and Pierce Arrows." General serviceable conditions will be observed by judges in making



spirit of efficiency, the units



2d prize ..... \$5.00

**For the Best Piece of Embroidery.**

1st prize ..... \$2.00

2d prize ..... \$1.00

**For the Best Piece of Crochet.**

1st prize ..... \$2.00

2d prize ..... \$1.00

**For China Painting.**

1st prize ..... \$2.00

2d prize ..... \$1.00

**For Best Piece of Tatting.**

1st prize ..... \$2.00

2d prize ..... \$1.00

**For Best Quilt.**

1st prize ..... \$2.00

2d prize ..... \$1.00



**SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS.**

Vaudeville, dancing and motion pictures.

There will be shown Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday that late

triumph in picturedom, "The Business League's Parade," a

great picture of a real live event among race people.

**SCHOOL FAIR BIG EVENT AT ASHEVILLE**

The City, Buncombe and Henderson Counties Join In Great

Educational Rally.

*Journal & Guide*

(By J. H. Hamilton.)

Asheville, N. C.—The schools of Asheville, Buncombe County, and Henderson County gave a school fair at the Y. M. C. and Court House Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24, which was a grand success. The exhibits were at the Y. M. C. and Educational Rally at the Court House Thursday evening, at 8 p. m.

The meeting was called to order by Prof. W. S. Lee, principal of Catholic Hill High School. Prayer was led by C. B. Dusenbury, pastor of Calvary Presbyterian Church. Song by Catholic Hill School, "Lord I want to be a Christian;" poem from Dunbar by Mr. J. H. Michael; song by Catholic Hill School, "Swanee River." After which Prof. Lee introduced the first speaker, Dr. C. T. Schaeffer.

Time and space will not allow us to do justice to Dr. Schaeffer's speech, but will mention some of the most important things he spoke of.

His subject was education. Education of the head, the hand and the heart. He told of the opportunities held out for the colored man in the South, saying that the white man and the colored man should live in harmony on a basis of mutual usefulness. He said the colored children must be taught to respect the white children, in order to demand the respect of the white children; that the South was the home of the Negro, therefore the children must be taught the things that would make this home happy by doing the things that are right in the sight of God and in the sight of man. There were many other things which we have not space to write.

His speech was followed by a song by the Hill Street School, "Peter on the Sea," after which Prof. Lee asked Mr. D. Hiden Ramsey, Commissioner of Public Safety, to introduce Judge Murphy, chairman of the Board of Education.

Mr. Ramsey said he could not refrain from commenting on what Dr. Schaeffer said and that it was one of the best speeches he had ever heard, and that the singing was just fine, and that he was proud of the leaders of the colored race in Asheville, naming most of them.

Judge Murphy arose and asked to be permitted to ask Judge T. A. Jones, who had recently been elected as Senator of the State from this district to say a few words, which was granted.

Judge Jones came forward and said that he did not come to make a speech, but came to hear those colored people sing. And did not think that Dr. Schaeffer had left anything for him or Judge Murphy either to say, but he was always glad to have a chance to say something to his colored friends. He said: "I am going to Raleigh to help make a law that will benefit my race and your race, for what is good for my race is good for your race, and what is bad for your race is bad for my race."

He said that the Negro was the

most kind and sympathetic race in the world under adverse circumstances.

As an example he referred to what he saw on a street car a few nights ago. Said he was on a car that was crowded with both white and colored people, and the car stopped to take on some white ladies, and the white men kept their seats while the Negro men got up and offered the white ladies their seats.

He closed his remarks by saying to the Negro to get education, character and money, buy homes and the white men of the South will all stand ready to lend a helping hand.

Judge Jones is one of the best criminal lawyers in Western North Carolina, and is always ready to help the Negro that tries to make something of himself, and is at home when he is talking to a colored gathering or pleading to a white jury in defense of a colored man.

Judge J. D. Murphy, who was the next speaker, began by saying that he felt happy. He referred to Dr. Schaeffer's address as being one of the best he had ever heard on education. He said that Asheville needed more men like Dr. Schaeffer, Lee, Dusenbury, Dr. Walker, and referred to Mrs. Lee as Hester Ford Lee whom he had known ever since he had been in Asheville, as being one of the most respected colored women he ever knew, and they were following their once beloved and lamented leader, Booker T. Washington, who was the greatest Negro that ever lived. He also referred to the late J. C. Price, whom he had had the pleasure of meeting in his day, as being a great and powerful leader of the Negro race. He said that the colored people of the South may be congratulated upon what is being done for them and what they are doing for themselves at Hampton, Tuskegee, and nearer home at the A. & T. at Greensboro, Livingstone at Salisbury, and other places he had visited in the South.

There was a good number of white people present who seemed to enjoy the singing of the old time Negro melodies.

#### The Exhibits.

On entering the door of the Y. M. I. you see one of the most creditable exhibits of the work done by the students of Asheville and Buncombe, Hendersonville and Transylvania counties in big letters, each school named was in sight with the educational work, such as mathematics, writing and other school studies, other portions were to exhibit weaving, sewing, drawing by some of the little tots of the Kindergarten and of the different schools. Hill Street and Catholic Hill were largely in exhibits, sewing, drawing, wood work. Mountain St. School has a Parent Club which is doing excellent work to help with Mrs. Buttle and Miss F. Knuckles as teachers. Shiloh School also has a working club. They had canned goods and fancy work, wood work, baskets, chairs, "Togo," Chas. Locker, Norfolk, (4); and industrial activities among our Arden, Hendersonville, Flat Rock, Concord, South Asheville, West Asheville and Weaversville also had

Mr. Henry Lee of 11 Sorrel street,—"Bon Coeur," D. W. Lee, Suffolk, Mr. Elander Black of 29 Pine street, mouth, (2); "James C." W. H. Crock, The Missionary Society of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church with their pastor, Rev. J. R. Nelson, visited the Victoria Baptist Church and helped them in their Society. Rev. Jake Watson is the able pastor of the Victoria Church.

Mrs. Maggie Jones with the Church Aid Society of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, gave a very successful play at the Y. M. I. Tuesday night, November 21st, for the benefit of said church.

The Ladies Aid of the First Baptist Church met at the beautiful home of Mrs. Melinda Brown's at 162 Collage street, at 5 o'clock. Not being present when the meeting opened. There were 25 members and 5 visitors. After the business was finished all were invited to the dining room where there was three tables laden with good things to eat. One was chicken salad and other good things. All present spent a pleasant evening, thanking the hostess, and with a pleasant good night until the next meeting.

## FAST HORSES IN NORFOLK RACES

*The Journal & Guide*  
BON COEUR WINS TROTTING EVENT IN 2:30, AND LADY PRINCE CAPTURES PACING PRIZE IN 2:26—SAME ENTRIES AT SUFFOLK FAIR NEXT WEEK

Norfolk witnessed the best trotting and pacing races last Tuesday and Wednesday it has seen since the palmy days of the Old Mariner's race track. Seventeen of the fastest horses in Virginia contests for honors during the two days and the crowds that went out to Mariner's thoroughly enjoyed the events. All the horses entered in the races were owned by colored men, and there were some fine specimens. It was said that "Bon Coeur" and "Lady Prince," winners of the prize stakes did not have to extend themselves.

Following were the entries: Tuesday, October 16.—Three-year-old trot or pace—"A. Claud," A. Claud, Portsmouth, (1); "Harry Vinson," N. P. Vinson, Pendleton, N. C., (2); Pendleton, N. C., (2); "Baby Doll," Ned Phillips, Melfa, Va., (3); "Bernina," D. W. Lee, Suffolk, (4). Time 2:52, 2:48, 2:55.

2:30 Pace—"Mary S." John Smith, Melfa, (1); "Beauty Spot," J. B. Nottingham, Eastville, (2); "Happy Guard," L. W. Bright, Norfolk, (3); "Togo," Chas. Locker, Norfolk, (4); and industrial activities among our "Kenneth Bell," (5). Time 2:32 $\frac{1}{4}$ , 2:31, 2:30.

Wednesday, October 17.—2:30 Trot (1); "Prince Albert," Smith, Portsmouth, (2); "James C." W. H. Crock, (3); "Cora Gibson," Gibson, Holland, Capron, (5).

Free-for-all Trot or Pace—"Lady Prince," Nat Fitchette, Cheapside, (1); "The Builder," John Smith, Melfa, (2); "Skipper," J. L. Vinson, Pendleton, N. C., (3); "Louise Prince," Geo. Satchell, Eastville, (4). Time 2:26, 2:27 $\frac{1}{2}$ , 2:27 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

The officials and promoters of the Norfolk races were: W. H. Land, president and starter; W. H. Crocker, treasurer; D. W. Lee racing secretary and Chas. Locker, assistant manager.

The same horses will be entered at the Suffolk fair Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week.

## Negro Education Shown At Fair

*St Louis Argus*

Memphis, Tenn.—What applied education is doing for the Negro in Tennessee is illustrated by the displays in the exposition hall at the annual fair for Colored people. The most striking of all the displays are those showing work done in the Negro schools. Dresses, hats, quilts, table covers and other practical examples of needlework are shown by the Negro girls. Bread, cake, canned fruit and vegetables, as well as drawings, paintings and applied designs such as for window curtains complete the list. The tools, such as chairs, book racks, benches and similar pieces of furniture.

Several excellent agricultural exhibits shown by individual entrants attract much attention. Corn, long staple cotton, grasses, small grains and garden products show what the Negroes are doing in an agricultural way. One of the best collections of farm products is that shown by a woman farmer who is an annual exhibitor. Plants and flowers grown by a Negro florist, jewelry made by a Negro craftsman, and many other exhibits Indian campaigns, the varied displays army, including the of horses from the farm of a Negro are exhibited.

Agricultural and industrial fairs are to be held this month at Raleigh, N. C., Rocky Mount, N. C., Suffolk, Va., and Capron, Va. These exhibits are not only a source of inspiration but they greatly stimulate agricultural work, wood work, baskets, chairs, "Togo," Chas. Locker, Norfolk, (4); and industrial activities among our "Kenneth Bell," (5). Time 2:32 $\frac{1}{4}$ , 2:31, 2:30.

**EDITOR DAVISON AT THE CHATTOOGA COUNTY FAIR.** and the Negroes holding their Saturday. The Fair a Great Success. The Chattooga County Fair proved Nichols and his associates their hearty a great success, notwithstanding the support and encouragement.

Atlanta, *Independent* as if it was their own and gave Mr. Some of the finest corn, pumpkins, potato other features of merriment. On a tatoes and cotton we have ever seen, it proved to be very beneficial nessed were installed and were very and inspiring to both white and color-

interesting to the spectators. It evidenced the fact that the people in Chattooga County are turning their attention to raising everything they need at home instead of depending entirely upon cotton and taking the money received from it and buying the things which they should raise at home. This has been the mistake of the southern farmers of both races.

Editor Davison delivered an address before the Court house of Chattooga County to both white and colored people. He emphasized the importance of the friendly relation between the two races. He said that they have lived together for more than three hundred years and ought to understand each other by this time.

The exhibits of Mrs. Johnson, principal of Summerville School, was the most interesting feature. Maps, little houses and fine needle work showed up to great advantage and reflected great credit upon Mrs. Johnson as well as the students. Some of the best work we have ever seen were the exhibits of little chaps nine and ten years old. This was all done under the able oversight of Mrs. Johnson, who is an alumnae of Atlanta University. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson are held in high esteem in Summerville, their home, by white and colored.

Mr. R. B. Nichols is the leading colored man of that community. He is a man of ability and character, and so regarded by the best white people and his own people. Nothing takes place in that community without the advice and counsel of Mr. Nichols. Mr. Nichols is a self-made man, but has elevated himself to worth and respectability among the people of his community. He is popular with both white and black. He is thorough-going and takes a leading part in everything that pertains to the good of the community. The white people speak of him in the most complimentary terms. We need more men like Mr. Nichols, then there would be better feeling between the races. That is much needed now when there are so many things to create friction and distrust.

A man who does those things to bring about better understanding and good feeling is a friend to both races; and in the last analysis, this must be done if the two races are to live here in peace and happiness.

We have never seen more cordial relation between the races than in Chattooga County. The whites and blacks work for each others betterment. The county Fair, which was held at Summerville, was the fair of both races, the white people holding

## PROMINENT NEGROES WILL ATTEND "NEGRO DAY" AT ROCKY MT. FAIR

*Journal & Guide* 1-7-16 Among the prominent leaders who will be present on "Negro Day" at the Rocky Mount Fair are: Mr. P. B. Young of Norfolk, Va., editor of The Journal and Guide; Dr. A. A. Graham, Phoebe, Va., President of the Negro Organization Society; Mr. Berry O'Kelly of Raleigh, President of the North Carolina Negro Fair Association; Dr. C. S. Brown, Winton, N. C., President Walters Collegiate Institute; Prof. T. S. Inborden of Bricks, N. C., Principal of J. K. Brick School.

The supervisor, Dr. Talley, is sparing no pains to make the event a success and reports that the farmers are being aroused to put on an exhibit that will reflect remarkable progress and development.

The Joseph Keasley Brick School Brass Band has been secured to render musical services. A remarkable feature of this fair is that the white fair company is to pay premiums to Negro exhibitors.